PARIS PIKE CORRIDOR COMMISSION

MINUTES

Paris City Hall Commission Chambers

October 11, 2010

Attendance

Members Present: Ben Blyton; James Brady; Dan Thompson, Chair; and Ron Vanover

Staff Present: Dal Harper, Barbara Rackers and Stephanie Cunningham

Others Present: Jim Shaw

Mr. Thompson stated that, as there was no quorum, the Commission could not take official action on any items at this meeting.

OLD BUSINESS – No such items were presented.

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u> – No such items were presented.

<u>COMMISSION ITEMS</u> – No such items were presented.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Signs on Lexington Road

Mr. Shaw stated that the Park Equine Hospital had recently installed a sign, which appeared to meet the requirements of the Paris Pike Ordinance. However, there were many signs along Lexington Road that do not appear to meet those requirements, one of which would be discussed at the Board of Adjustment meeting later that evening. He thought the Paris Pike Corridor Commission might need to make a recommendation on that sign, but realized that they could not, given the lack of a quorum. Mr. Shaw noted that signage issues are an ongoing problem in Bourbon County, since there is no sign permitting process and the position responsible for enforcing the zoning regulations is currently vacant.

A lengthy discussion ensued among the Commission members about the signs on Lexington Road, the need for signage regulations, and the avenues by which the Commission might be able to pursue enforcement of the Zoning Ordinance. Mr. Shaw suggested that the sign regulations should be changed to limit signs to four feet by eight feet in size, and to implement a sign permitting procedure.

Mr. Blyton suggested that the Paris Pike Corridor Commission should seek to gain enforcement powers for signage in the Paris Pike Overlay area, and asked Mr. Harper if that would be possible. Mr. Harper answered that, in his opinion, the Commission would need at least one full-time paid staff member to enforce such a regulation; that it would involve extensive changes to the existing regulations; and that the Commission would then most likely be required to enforce signage for the whole County, not just the Paris Pike area.

Mr. Blyton asked Mr. Harper to do some research prior to the Commission's next meeting in January, to determine the feasibility of granting the PPCC enforcement powers for signage. Mr. Harper agreed to do so.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, Chairman Thompson declared the meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.